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CALAMITY IN JAPAN.

NEWS MORE REASSURING.

DAMAGE LESS EXTENSIVE THAN THOUGHT.

DEATH OF MR. HAIGH.

Terrible as the calamity in Japan is, relations and friends of the victims can glean some comfort from to-day's messages which indicate that the loss in Tokyo at any rate, of life and property is not so extensive as at first thought. It is also some comfort to learn that the figures for the foreign death-roll of Yokohama remain at 70. The Naval Secretary has received no further news from H.M.S. "Despatch," which indicates that the commander is gathering confirmed details before communicating. As the names of those killed at the American Consulate-General in Yokohama only number three, it is to be hoped that those mentioned in a previous message have escaped.

H.M.S. "Ambrose," the Naval Secretary stated has taken on board flour and other supplies and will leave for Japan as soon as orders are received from the Commander in Chief.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, September 6.

The Lord Mayor's Earthquake Fund has now reached £30,000.

AMERICAN HELP.

NEW YORK, September 6.

The local Japanese Relief Fund already totals over one million dollars, including \$100,000 each from Mr. Rockefeller Junior and The Spelman Rockefeller Foundation. The Silk Association raised \$150,000 in half an hour yesterday. Many commercial houses have given clothing, food and timber. The committee has adopted the slogan "Minutes mean lives."

FRANCE TO MOURN.

PARIS, September 6.

The Government has ordered flags to be flown at half mast on public buildings throughout the country to-morrow. It is requested that all theatres, cinemas, etcetera, will close as a sign of mourning for the disaster in Japan.

BRITISH CONSUL'S REPORT.

LONDON, September 6.

The British Consul at Kobe reports to the Foreign Office that damage to business in the official districts in Tokyo is not so extensive as believed. The British Consulate as well as the Embassy are apparently saved. The War Office Admiralty and Department of Justice are intact.

Four hundred British refugees from Yokohama have arrived in Kobe. It is confirmed that Mr. W. Haigh, British Vice Consul at Yokohama was killed. The districts of Osaka and Kobe were not damaged by the earthquake. The British Naval Officer at Yokohama says that the whole of Yokohama and two thirds of Tokyo were destroyed. Seventy foreigners were killed in Yokohama; none in Tokyo.

MR. HAWKES KILLED.

A Reuter message from Melbourne states that Mr. Hawkes, father of the Davis Cup tennis player, was killed at Yokohama in the recent disaster. Mrs. Hawkes is safe.

A San Francisco message states that arrangements are being hastened to ship practically the entire Californian rice crop to Japan.

TOKYO'S HEAVY LOSSES.

A wireless message from Iwaki, in Haranomachi, Fukushima-ken, Japan, announces that 30,000 people were killed in Tokyo, 100,000 injured and 350,000 rendered homeless.

The Japanese Charge d'Affaires in Belgium, called at the Foreign Ministry in Brussels and thanked the Belgian Government for the sympathy shown to Japan. He laid special stress on the sympathy evinced in the immediate starting of public subscriptions for the benefit of the victims.

A Simla dispatch announces that Earl Reading, the Viceroy, has decided to open an Indian Relief Fund for Japan. He has donated 5,000 rupees himself.

JAPAN IS GRATEFUL.

LONDON, September 6.

The Japanese Ambassador writes to the Press, expressing profound gratitude at the many expressions of sympathy received and the sympathetic attitude of the Press. He extended heartfelt thanks on behalf of his sorrowing countrymen and said: "Even in these dark hours there is some consolation in the news of the nation uniting to face with courage and determination not only the difficulties of the present, but the task of future reconstruction."

SHIP'S OFFICER'S ACCOUNT.

OSAKA, September 6.

According to a ship's officer on the "London Maru," the vessel was about to sail from Yokohama when the first shock was felt. In a few minutes a peaceful town was changed into hell. The "London Maru" did all possible to save the living. Especially terrible were the explosions of oil tanks, which made one think the earth itself had cracked.

The "London Maru" has 340 refugees on board from Yokohama.

ASSOCIATED PRESS MESSAGE.

OSAKA, September 6.

An intercepted wireless message, sent by the Associated Press, correspondent in Tokyo, dated Wednesday noon, reads: "Estimated two hundred foreigners lost their lives at Yokohama, but names not obtainable. Yokohama is a charnel house. An arrival from there says the stench of bodies is unbearable. The canals are filled with dead bodies of those who were driven thither and to the water front by the fire. A large number of foreigners were caught in Min Street, doing Saturday shopping. The earthquake left great gaps in the pavements. Americans and British are gathering the bodies of foreigners for burial at sea. The remnants of the Chinese population are gathered under the bluff without food or shelter. As far as is known only one American is dead in Tokyo—Mr. W. T. Blume, of the General Electric Company, who was killed when the factory collapsed. The Americans killed at Yokohama include Mr. McDonald of the Grand Hotel and Mrs. Root and son, who were new arrivals, and Mr. Kirjassoff, the American Consul.

SOME GALLANT DEEDS.

NAGASAKI, September 6.

Instances of heroism are related in connection with the calamity at Yokohama, where Japanese, unhesitatingly left their foreign mistresses and babies, preferring to die together rather than flee. Japanese cooks, chauffeurs, and others heroically toiled in rescue work, risking their own lives. One coolie stood in the path of the flames and helped the women and children to escape while he himself was fumigated. Reuter's telegrams, reporting the overwhelming sympathies of Great Britain, the United States, France, Italy and all others on behalf of Japan, have been read by Japanese with sincerest gratitude.

Two of the wealthiest families in Japan, Mitsui and Mitsubishi have offered five million yen each for relief, according to an Osaka telegram. The principal banks in Tokyo, are reopening.

The Bank of Japan is practically safe. The Mitsui Bank vault is safe; all books and important papers being saved. The Mitsui Bishi, Taiwan, and Chosen Banks and the Industrial Bank of Japan are all safe. The Yokohama Specie Bank is also reported. [This message obviously refers to the banks in Tokyo.]

HOSPITALS DESTROYED.

An intercepted wireless from Reuter's Tokyo office reads: Yokohama is washed out. Mr. Kirjassoff and wife are dead. Can get no communication so far with Osaka or Nagoya. The deaths and casualties in Tokyo are probably 50,000. A number of hospitals, including St. Luke's International Hospital, were destroyed. There were no casualties at the latter.

An intercepted wireless says the American Ambassador and entire Embassy staff are safe with the exception of Major and Mrs. Crane, whose fate is not yet known. Consul Kirjassoff and family and Miss Doris Babbitt are reported killed. The message was signed Woods and addressed to the Secretary of State, Washington.

EMBASSY STAFF SAFE?

NAGASAKI, September 7.

A message from Mr. Russell Kennedy the General Manager of Kokusai News Agency in Tokyo, brought in by a refugee, states that the British Embassy personnel is safe.

A DIFFERENT STORY.

SHANGHAI, September 7.

A wireless from H.M.S. "Despatch" gives the following casualties at the British Embassy in Tokyo: Mr. Horne, Commercial Attaché, and Mr. Waddell, accountant, killed. Messrs. Ashwith and Warton missing but believed safe.

Mr. W. Haigh, Vice-Consul, Yokohama, and Mr. Lees, Shipping Clerk, killed. Mrs. King, wife of Surgeon-Commander King of the Naval Hospital (Yokohama), killed. The remainder with their families are safe.

It is officially stated that the Swiss Minister and members of the Legation Staff are safe. The German Consul-General, Herr Thiel, and family are reported safe.

MORATORIUM DECLARED.

OSAKA, September 7.

A moratorium of 30 days has been declared for payments falling due between September 1 and 30. The moratorium is not applicable outside the zone of disaster.

Profiteering in essential commodities is liable to three years' imprisonment or ¥3,000 penalty. The spread of rumours tending to encourage rioting and damage to life and property or to disturb peace and order is liable to ten years' imprisonment or a penalty of ¥3,000. The moratorium, prohibition of profiteering and prohibition of false rumours are issued in the form of emergency Imperial Edicts.

ITEMS FROM MANY QUARTERS.

A message from Rome states the Italian Ambassador to Japan, who was reported missing is safe.

A Shanghai wireless message from Yokohama confirms the previous report that seventy foreigners were killed at Yokohama, three at Hakone but none at Tokyo.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford Ltd., have sent us the following:

We have this morning received a cable from Lane, Crawford & Co., Kobe, giving us news of Lane, Crawford & Co., of Yokohama. The telegram reads as follows:—

Mckinnell dead Johnson on "Dongola." Both these gentlemen were Managing Directors of Lane, Crawford & Co., of Yokohama. The cable does not say anything regarding the staff (which, by the way is small) of the building. Although bearing the same name we should like to point out that we have no financial connection in any way with the Yokohama firm.

The Admiralty Line has received a telegram from Kobe, stating staff is safe. Miss Varley, a passenger by the "President Jefferson," who landed at Kobe on August 31 to proceed overland to Tokyo, has not been heard of. Miss Varley was one of a party that landed at Kobe. It is, therefore, to be resumed the others are known to be safe.

The "President Grant" sailed for Kobe via Shanghai this morning with 60 tons of frozen beef and other supplies for the refugees in Japan.

The Japanese Consul-General last night cabled to the Tokyo Foreign Office a report of the resolution moved by H.E. the Governor and passed by the Legislative Council at yesterday's meeting, expressing sympathy with the Japanese Nation and approving the grant of \$250,000 for the relief of distress in Japan.

The American Consul-General, Mr. W. H. Gale, is in receipt of a cable from Mr. E. R. Dickover, Consul in Kobe, which reads:

"Thank you for remittance, which will be put into the International Relief Fund. Am co-operating with other Consuls in administering relief. We already have about 2,000 foreign refugees in Kobe and more are coming. We need all the assistance which you can render."

Reporting the disaster, the N. C. Daily News said: "Many foreign residents of Shanghai were spending their holidays at Hakone and Miyazaki; among those at the latter resort being Mr. and Mrs. John Francis, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wilkinson and Mr. and Mrs. P. Crighton and their families, Mrs. H. Royall, Mrs. H. H. Read and Mrs. Moberg."

Mr. King, agent here for the Dunlop Rubber Co., has received a telegram stating that the staff of the company in Japan is safe. The mills at Wakanohama, near Kobe, are working as usual.

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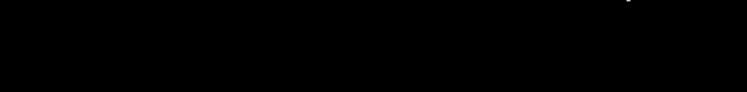
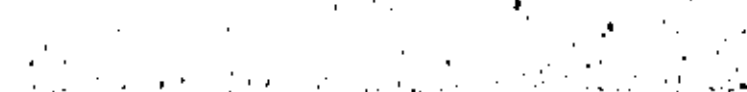
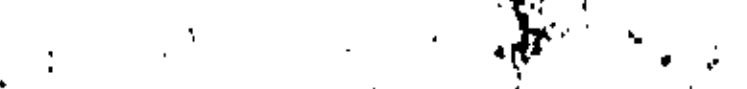
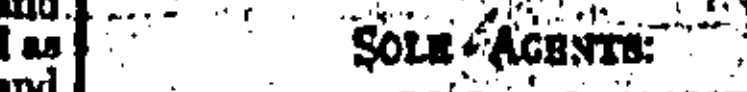
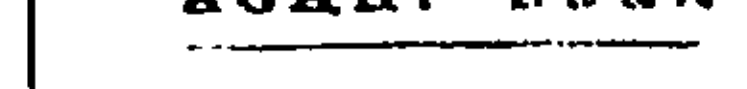
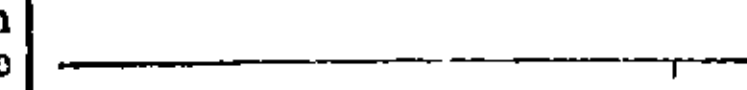
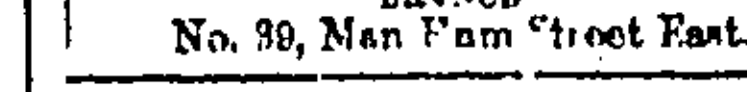
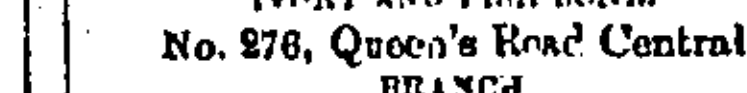
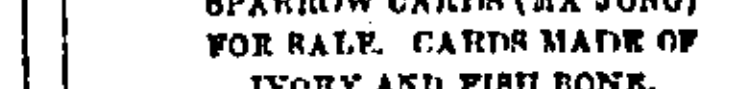
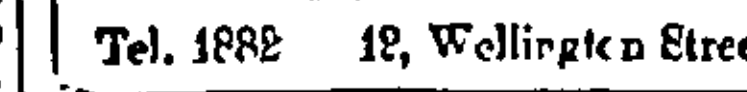
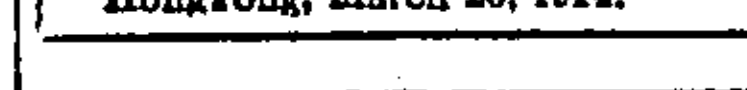
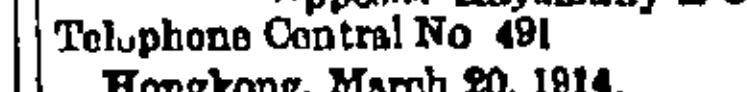
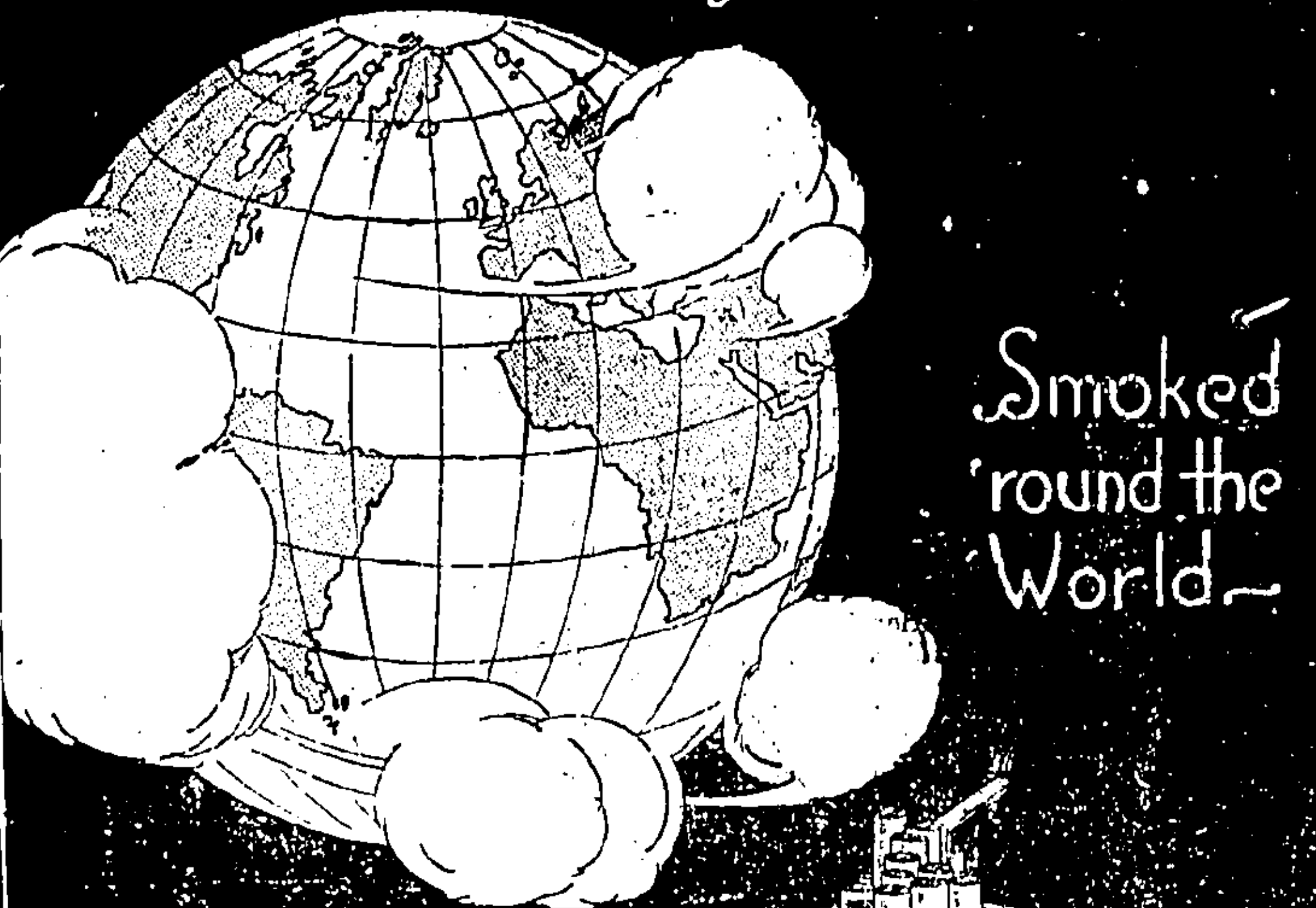
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idea of the deep ethical reasons

which have driven women into the

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More Teachers Than Posts.

Parents who are thinking of send-

ing their children into the teaching

profession are warned by Sir James

Yoxall, Secretary of the National

Union of Teachers, that a large

number of qualified teachers are

now unemployed as a result of

economies in the education service,

and that as a consequence there

may be little opportunity for their

children to be employed unless con-

ditions materially alter for the

better.

Holiday Luggage.

Observation at some of our prin-

cipal stations indicates that folk

travel with less luggage now than

was deemed necessary even a few

years ago, says the *Morning Post*.

What travelling in the good old

days was like in this respect one

gathers from the memoirs of the

opening Nineteenth Century, when

it was customary for holiday-makers

to take with them not only clothes,

books, etc., but the family plate and

a large consignment of furniture.

Beckford of Fonthill used to declare

that it was impossible for him to go

on holiday without two or three

first-class pictures, especially a

favourite Raphael.

The "Buxom" Wife.

The suggestion that the word

"obey" should be omitted from the

marriage service has led Lord Sel-

borne to discover that before the

reformation wives vowed to be

"buxom," but unfortunately

"buxom" originally meant "obedi-

ent." The word occurs in the vow

of profession of the Westminster

monks, in "Piers Plowman," and

in the "Pierie Queen." In the

old Marriage Service the wife vowed

to be "obedient and buxom in bed

and at board." An ingenious ex-

planation of the modern use of the

word is that "rather stout, comfort-

able, easy-going women are more

apt to be compliant than their thin-

ner, more energetic sisters."

That Central Mystery.

Tragedy is often wrought by

extreme excess of noble qualities,"

writes James Douglas in the *Sunday**Express*. "A fine nature may be

too excited to bear the annihilation

of its loftiest dreams. It can accept

no second best. It rushes on its

fate rather than let the mercy of

time wear its glory of grief away.

It is not tempted by the lesser

bribes of life. It will love or

it will die. Let us not judge.

Fewer American Millionaires.

Although America seems just now

to be on the flood-tide of prosperity

the number of its super-millionaires

is reported to be decreasing. Ac-

cording to a bulletin issued by the

Internal Revenue Bureau the num-

ber of persons who paid taxes for

the last fiscal year on an income of

a million dollars (more than

\$200,000) or over was twenty-one,

as against thirty-three in the pre-

vious year. In 1916 the number

was as high as 206, and since then

it has been dropping year by year.

The Treasury officials offer no ex-

planation of the decline. They

express no opinion as to whether it

is because most of the money in the

country is controlled by fewer men

or whether it is because it is more

equally divided. It might be

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MARRIAGE.

BARCLAY—MACLAUGHLAN.—On September 1, 1923, at Shanghai, Thomas Charles Barclay to Esther MacLeod, eldest daughter of the late Angus MacLauchlan, Greenock.

DEATHS.

ALT.—August 4, at London, Elizabeth C. F. A., widow of Colonel W. J. Alt, C.B., age 76.

ROSE.—On the 8th August, at London, Katherine Elizabeth Rose, widow of T. E. Rose, age 71 years.

SHIELDS.—July 31, suddenly, at London, Isaac Mann Shields, late managing director, P. & O. S.N. Co.

TURNER.—August 1, at Higham, by Colchester, Jessie Gertrude Turner, widow of Arthur Turner, late of Hongkong.

WHITE.—On August 30, 1923, at Shanghai, Norma Patricia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman White, aged 9 1/2 months.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPT. 7, 1923.

LORD HAIG.

The Rothermere press has been accused of roasting like a lion and reasoning like a guinea pig, in the attitude it has taken up regarding the occupation of the Ruhr and the general question of reparations. It is a very biting accusation and one which is probably very near the truth. We hesitate much in adopting it in reference to a very gallant gentleman, one who deserves well of his country, and one, whom, let it be said, his country has not forgotten. Lord Haig for his service in the war has had dignities thrust upon him, and the more satisfying grant of a large sum of money and a mansion in the country of considerable size. No one so far as we know has begrudged him these

gifts, whilst many have been grateful at Lord Haig's efforts in behalf of the men who served under him who, broken in the war, perhaps, have suffered and are suffering from the aftermath of it in the shape of indifferance and unemployment. It is quite true that "Tommy here and Tommy there when the band begins to play" and nothing is too good for the men who go to fight, but when the thing is finished, the shouting done, the reverse of the picture is too well known for it to be dwelt upon anew. Our thoughts are not in that direction, although indirectly they have a bearing. Lord Haig must not be accused of talking good politics on one side, and on the other side, very bad politics—it all depends upon the point of view. He has been trotting out that old bogey beloved of men like Northcliffe and Roberts that the best way to prevent war is to be prepared for it—to build up men and armaments on a big scale, and to have the Big Battalions ready so that God may properly be on their side when the time arrives. He has even suggested that all ex-soldiers of the Great War should join in trying to get the British Cabinet to take this view and act upon it. It is here that one is tempted to suggest that the roaring is that of a lion, and the reasoning that of a guinea pig. It is likely that Lord Haig holds his views sincerely but no one seriously imagines that ex-soldiers do, and that should another Great War happen along they would flock voluntarily or be conscripted as soldier men as happened on the last occasion. It seems to be something on the lines of the French lady learning English:—"Once you bite me, twice I am shy." Examples there are enough of this policy of armed preparedness and the result it has led to, and the Nation now most utterly ruined and enfeebled and deprived of peace, even after peace has been signed, is the one that was the strongest and the best armed. It cannot be suggested that apparent weakness must be real strength. Had that been our position in 1914 we should probably

have suffered the fate of a Quaker bent in a non-Quaker jungle, but this armed preparation to acquire peace is a business far more subtle and difficult than it seems to the minds of some plain soldiers like Lord Roberts and Lord Haig. What would have happened if England had taken Lord Roberts' advice and possessed herself of a huge conscript army? Millions of young men would have been put in the field in 1914 only to become the victims of blunder and inexperience too terrible to contemplate, for from all accounts the generalship in the first year of the war was of the hopeless kind. It is here that the conscription of and the musing of large formations of intelligence is of vital importance. Neither in the separate and self-regarding disarmament, nor in the spirited capping of armaments with other nations is there the slightest security for peace. Both are ways of danger. The one thing that is known is that in all preparations for defence the most probable seat of weakness and danger is not the body but the head, and means are needed that will lead to such an improvement in Staff training as would render impossible any future calamity akin to some of the pitiful battles of the early years of the war. With that must also go a seasoned and improved quality in the matter and manner of our diplomacy and the intelligent teaching of our people in the futility of war and the great desirability of such world-wide organisations as the League of Nations.

Street Accidents.

A grave announcement by the Home Commissioner of Police directs the attention of the public to the growing dangers of London streets. In the period from January to April 22 this year many more people were killed than in the corresponding months of last year. The increase is indeed startling. Whereas in 1922 only nine people were, in these months, killed by motor omnibuses, the record for this year shows twenty-three. If the rate of increase for the first few months of 1923 is to be maintained we shall, therefore, have a loss of many hundreds of lives. It is not only fatal accidents which should be considered. Last year 17,138 people received injuries sufficiently serious to be noted by the police as the result of accidents caused by motor vehicles. It is not relevant to urge that the victims of accidents are often reckless and careless. No doubt they are. But the man who drives a motor vehicle in London must expect that he will have to care for the safety of pedestrians who do not always do the right thing and are not all agile. It is for him to give way to the weak. This, we are glad to see, is the principle which the Commissioner proposes to enforce. The police have been instructed to "check by all means in their power fast and dangerous driving." But the police and the magistrates will need the support of the public. It ought to be, and now that the gravity of the matter has been made clear we believe it will be, recognised that the driving which neglects or despises the safety of others is an offence not only against the law but against good form. Substitute Hongkong for London and these words have a very apposite local interest. Surely the moral is plain enough.

Departmental Wastrels.

Truth, in referring to the report of the Committee on Public Accounts, gives some illustrations which go to confirm our Hon. Attorney-General's recent statement that the State is not out to make any of its services pay. The Board of Trade, in effect, is told that it ought to be ashamed of itself for devoting the taxpayers' money to paying a pension of £250 a year to a clerk dismissed the service and sentenced to three months' imprisonment for embezzlement. The Office of Works is criticised for its defective co-ordination between its different branches, as shown by the payment of rent for a building for eleven years after it had been given up, and for the payment of over £12,000 for additional work on a tender which was originally only £930. Three departments were concerned in a transaction by which a factory was handed over to the Ministry of Labour. There were stores worth £17,000 in the building, but none of the departments concerned had those stores entered up in their ledgers. The Air Ministry apparently made a present of £10,000 to a Dominion without Treasury authority and it is reproved for cancelling an old contract and making a new one on a higher basis. The lack of administration in the Air Force is illustrated also by an interesting tale of two

typewriters hired for £2,10.0. a month, for which rent was paid for one year and two years respectively after the necessity for hiring had ceased, the amount of public money frittered away being £120. That, however, is a mere fleabite. The tale of the tug which could have been purchased for £9,000 for which £15,000 was paid in hire and which had to be purchased in the end for £6,000 in order to save the cost of refitting has been told before. The loss of £237,000 on the coal purchases by the Mine Department of the Board of Trade is another old story. Then there is the debt of over £1,000,000 to the Government over its 'deal in flux.' What the loss will be is not yet known, but it is bound to be considerable, and this result is attributed to the failure of the Board of Trade to convey in writing an important decision to the Advisory Committee. Again, there is the matter of the subsidy under which £283,418 has been paid to the British-Italian Corporation for which the British-Italian Corporation has got nothing. The Committee's business is merely to criticise and elucidate and it is left for Parliament to call the parties responsible to account, so, of course, nothing will be done. Locally, we may not have any of these glaring examples of how not to do things, but we have an idea that the Government dropped quite a tidy sum in its dealing in rice some years ago, whilst it spent quite a small fortune in sending a Cadet down to Bangkok, or Haiphong, during the Seamen's strike, to buy cabbages, or some other kind of perishable foodstuffs.

To-day's Poem.

(Drying Their Wings.)
The moon's in a cottage with a door.
Some folks can see it plain.
Look, you may catch a glint of light.
A sparkle through the pane.
Showing the place is brighter still
Within, though bright without.
There, at a cosy open fire
Strange babes are grouped about.
The children of the wind and tide—
The orphans of the sky.
Drying their wings from storms and things
So they again can fly.

—VACHEL LANDSAY.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

September 7.—Coronet Theatre: Mary Pickford in "Polyanna."
September 7.—Star Theatre: "The Ladder Jinx."
September 7.—World Theatre: Constance Binney in "The Sleep Walker."
September 7.—The New Leather Pushers, Round 12.
September 7-8.—Theatre Royal: Tina Gerald and Tom Fenwick in a repertoire of Original one-act plays.

SOCIAL.

September 8.—Grand Carnival Dinner Dances at the reopening of Repulse Bay Hotel.
September 8.—Opera Song Burlesque and Mystery at Kowloon Cricket Club, 9.15 p.m.
September 15.—Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Promenade Concert, 9.15 p.m.

SPORTS.

September 8-10.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club September Captain's Cup to be played at Fanling.
September 8.—Third Aquatic meeting of the Lusitano Recreation Club at the V.R.C. Bath, commencing at 2 p.m.

AUCTIONS.

September 10.—Lammert Bros., at No. 6, Victoria View, Kowloon, a quantity of valuable household furniture, etc., etc., 11 a.m.
September 11.—Lammert Bros., at the premises of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited (Hinghom), 4 furnaces ex s.s. "Nile," 12.15 p.m.

MEETINGS.

September 9.—Combined meeting of members of the China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild of China, 10 a.m. sharp.
September 11.—Informal meeting of all Brother Buys at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, 9.30 p.m.
September 11.—Rugger Meeting in the Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion, 5.15 p.m.
September 18.—First ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Sandakan Light and Power Co., (1922) Ltd., at St. George's Building, Chater Road, 11 a.m.
December 12.—Meeting of Unsecured Creditors of the Hongkong Branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, at the City Hall, 3 p.m.

Rheumatism.

Have you ever tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism? If not, you are wasting time, as the longer this disease runs on the harder it is to cure. Get a bottle to day apply it with a vigorous massage to the afflicted parts and you will be surprised and delighted at the relief obtained. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Cable communication with Macao is restored.

A Chinese case of smallpox, a British case of enteric fever, and a Chinese case of paratyphoid fever were reported yesterday.

Silk forwarded from here by "Empress of Russia" on August 9 arrived in New York on September 1, having been 23 days in transit.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bunje, Mrs. Capell, and Messrs R. C. Burdick and W. J. Carroll were passengers on the outgoing s.s. "President Grant."

Information has been received here that quarantine imposed on arrivals from Hongkong has been withdrawn by Tientsin and Chingwangtao.

At the V.R.C. swimming pool, to-morrow afternoon, the third aquatic meeting of the Lusitano Recreation Club will be held. The programme contains 22 events and should provide good sport.

The paid-off crews of the gunboats "Widgeon" and "Teal" arrived at Plymouth from China on August 4. They have been serving on the Yangtze, and many have been under rifle fire and some have been wounded.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu is reported to have sent an agent to Shanghai to purchase wireless installations from an American firm there. These, the price of which is put at \$700,000, will be set up in different places in Hupeh and Honan.

The unusually beautiful changing sky spread over London on August 1 recalled the gorgeous colouring which followed the eruption of Krakatoa. The young generation cannot, of course, remember the wonderful effects then produced by the volcanic dust in the atmosphere.

At the V.R.C. swimming pool, yesterday, three matches were played in the Hongkong Water Polo League. The R.G.A. first team defeated the V.R.C. (A) by 4-2; R.A.M.C. defeated King's (B) by 3-2 and King's B. vanquished R.G.A. (B) by 5-1. The R.G.A. are now in the lead, with V.R.C. (A) second.

Several of the larger ocean-going liners of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha are now being converted to oil-fuel burners, reports the Nagasaki Press. The "Alabama Maru," 6,463 tons net, arrived from Shanghai at the beginning of the week and will remain in port two months, during which time she will be converted into an oil fuel burner by the Nagasaki Works.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Mr. R. A. Boardman, Secretary of the Kuala Lumpur Sanitary Board, on an allegation of criminal misappropriation of the board's funds. For some time past, says the Straits Times, Kuala Lumpur correspondent, there has been a rumour to the effect that Mr. Boardman had absconded with a large amount of Sanitary Board funds. Mr. Boardman obtained a fortnight's leave, beginning this month, and not having returned the accounts were checked and it is reported that a large misappropriation was detected.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. P. A. Cox, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. B. C. Hale, were passengers on the outgoing "Empress of Asia."

The late Mr. Francis Douglas Osborne, of Rosnare, Slane, Meath, Irish Free State, senior partner in the mining firm of Osborne and Chappell, a director of the Gopeng Consolidated, Ltd., the Idris Hydraulic, Limited, the Rambutan, Ltd., Sungei Besi Mines Ltd., Tekka, Ltd., the Tekka-Tai Ping, Ltd., and Tronoh Mines, Ltd., who died on May 19, left property of the value of £77,539 gross, with net personality £77,226.

Many regrets of City men were felt at the death of Mr. C. E. Musgrave in a London nursing home. Beginning life as a journalist he entered the service of the London Chamber of Commerce in 1882, becoming assistant secretary in 1884, and secretary in 1909. Musgrave took his work with whole-hearted sincerity. He lived for it, and was largely responsible for the immense progress made by the Chamber in importance and influence during his secretaryship. A most able organiser, he also found time to arrange the Congresses of the Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, and to do the work of the Imperial Council of Commerce. Musgrave was known to Chamber of Commerce men all over the world. He was certainly whole-heartedly devoted to the London Chamber.

A Good Suggestion.

Ty Chamberlain's Tablets when bilious or constipated. You are certain to be pleased with them. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by all chemists and Storekeepers.

AUCTION.

And so, when Expert played the Ace of Hearts, Tom made his Contract. J. D. tore his hair. While Jack looked on amazed. It seemed not true. That D. still held the master cards. And yet a tiny voice had whispered, "E. will take That blessed trick, and 'play back off this red.'" The which, of course, he did, and thus the Rub. Was lost to me. I had to borrow cash. To pay my fare. Two silver discs, it was. In Hong Kong, cash: in vain I asked for more. Tom's heart was hard. (I come from Aberdeen. Where values are unknown, except in Banks. There, coffers overflow with shining coins. Guarded by Highlanders from Palestine.) But, never mind, the day will surely come. When steam rails North to see me. THEN the Dawn Of cherished hopes, with Victory in the sun. Shall rise transcendent, cleaving storm-grey clouds With rays of light, like those one sometimes sees On Soda Water labels. Tom shall drink Of honeyed wine from Scotland's choicest stills. And, after that, The Game! Revenge is sweet! For I have noted down what I have lost. Plus interest at fifty-one per cent.

—J. M. D.

GOOD ACTING.

TO-NIGHT'S THE NIGHT.

The Tina Gerald and Tom Fenwick performances about which there has been so much discussion in Hongkong, will be given to-night at the Theatre Royal. Miss Tina Gerald it is confidently felt will make the most of the unique opportunities given to her to display her undoubted talent. She is a charming little actress with an excellent record of parts to her credit. These include such notable roles as "Estelle" in "The Rotters," Sydney Fairfield in "The Bill of Divorcement" and "Stella" in "Brown Sugar." It will be seen from these parts alone that Miss Gerald is a capable and charming little actress, as each of them, demands talent and a personality to make them successful roles. We look forward to Miss Gerald's performance to-night with pleasure, and interest. The booking is at the Hongkong Hotel till 8.45.

PIRATES BANDITS AND KIDNAPPERS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Kowloon, September 6. Merchants returned from Shue Ki report that the city is now controlled by Ju Cheuk-man (Sun's nominee), that a good many houses have been plundered and that the city is as quiet as during the New Year holidays. Pirmes in small craft are roaming near Lo Ah (Jackdaw) Hill threatening the river bank outside the city. H.M.S. "Robin" left on Monday. There is a shortage of coal as importers are not bringing in supplies for fear of requisitioning. Bandits are active again. On the night of the 4th 30 students and females were taken away from Mak Yuen village. Another batch armed with machine guns kidnapped three persons from some houses within a hundred yards of the railway station. The Chamber of Commerce is constructing a tower at each end of the town for defence purposes.

LATER.

It is stated that two field-officers belonging to the same faction at Kow Kong have started a fight for positions and control of revenues. A number of houses were burnt in the scarp.

The s.s. "San Nam Hoi" which plies between Hongkong-Kowloon-Kow Kong, was unable to reach the last-named port last night on account of the firing.

HOPE.

Is there a one so tender,
A heart so bountiful,
A voice, my heart strings render,
A choir invisible?
Is there a one so lovely,
A mind to understand,
The thoughts so far above me,
That fill the home I've planned?
I see her in the sunshine,
I feel her in the rain;
I hear her voice at noontime,
And in the night again:
I pray that I may find her
Neath warm cerulean skies,
As through the years I wander—
With that which never dies.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

LOCAL SALARIES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Another Progress is to be congratulated on his letter and the moderate force with which he writes. He will doubtless find many who will agree with his statements, and if what he says is true, and not based on hearsay, the matter calls for enquiry and attention. The question of employing local graduates as Engineers in the P.W.D. is, so it seems to me, another matter. I am not an engineer and therefore know nothing about the profession of engineering, but I hope that does not deter me from giving expression to the thoughts which arise in my mind regarding the suggestion made, whilst an extended knowledge of the local University prompts me to step in in a matter where angels might fear to tread. May one then assume that the Engineers in the employ of the P.W.D. are all trained and practical men—not mere theorists: that they have undergone a certain amount of practical work in the profession they have adopted. Can that be said of the local University graduates? The reply may be that a certain amount of practical work is undergone in the University's workshop, and that that is quite sufficient for anyone. "Another Progress" will best be able to answer that question, and also confirm, or otherwise, the statement that when engineering students were offered practical work in local workshops the venture proved a failure simply by reason of the fact that the students had no desire to dirty their hands. I follow your correspondent in his desire not to foment racial prejudice. On the contrary I am anxious to have his statement met in a straightforward manner. There must be some real reason behind it all. I cannot think that the authorities are not willing to give employment when they are so anxious to make the University a success. It is sad when one realises the number of Engineering graduates who are following occupations as far as anything can be from that of engineers, simply because they cannot find employment in the profession for which they have prepared themselves. I think the original idea was that engineering graduates should go forth and be the Saviours of their own country. That idea should certainly not be lost sight of. Another point is that the fetish of a University degree or having been to a University, should not be the sole reason for the employment of a person.

Yours etc.,
BRITISHER.

Hongkong, September 6.

PEACE.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—I trust you can find space for the following extract from the London Spectator which I think has some bearing on the tenour of some of your leading articles recently:—
"A little sanity, a little courage, a little concern in man's duty to his fellows, a little remembrance of the fact that those who try to exact the uttermost farthing and demand their pound of flesh at all costs never succeed, is all that is wanted to save us. Humanity is so closely knit that you cannot injure your neighbour without hurting yourself. But it is also so closely knit that you cannot help one part without helping the whole. To cure your neighbour is to cure yourself."

Yours etc.,
PEACE LOVER.

Hongkong, September 6.

POLLYANNA.

"A PLAIN STORY, SIMPLY TOLD."

Mary Pickford's admirers are sure to like "Polyanna," her latest picture, which is showing at the Coronet until Saturday. Mary herself is as winsome as ever, the story is a pretty one, very simmy told, and the caste is of especial excellence. There is a happy spirit of optimism pervades the whole play. In fact, a lesson in philosophy can be learned by watching the experiences of "Polyanna." There are some very natural scenes between the little girl and her austere aunt, whose love for her niece is so suddenly awakened. "Jimmy," the boy chum, is another lovable character, whose idyll with Pollyanna is a thing of real beauty. "Polyanna" will suit people who prefer simple stories, naturally presented, as there is no attempt at titchendous thrills. It is a story of everyday, acted with great ability, which is bound to have a universal appeal.

HOTEL DRINK CHITS.

SHOULD THEY BE BANNED?

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DEBATE.

PRESENT LAW TO REMAIN.

One of the East's eternal problems, the chit system was interestingly discussed in the Legislative Council yesterday when, as briefly reported, in last night's *China Mail*, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C. moved the following motion which had for its object the repeal of that section of the Liquor Ordinance which prevents the signing of chits for drinks in hotels:—

"That in the opinion of the members of this Council, it is desirable that section 3 of the Liquors Ordinance, 1917, should be repealed."

The Hon. Mr. Pollock said:—This section, Sir, as I think is well-known to hon. members, provides that, except in the case of persons who are residing in an hotel, it is necessary that cash shall be paid down in respect of any liquor which is not served in conjunction with a *bona-fide* meal for which a charge of not less than 30 cents can be reasonably made. When this measure was passed in this Council in the year 1917 it was opposed by some of the Unofficial Members, including myself. The first speaker in opposition was Mr. Stanley Dowdell, who pointed out very clearly that there was no necessity for such a measure; that, as a matter of fact, for some years past the sobriety of the men in this Colony had been steadily increasing, and I may add that a similar remark may be applied to the interval which has elapsed between the passing of the Ordinance in 1917 and the present day. When this measure, Sir, was brought forward I had a difficulty, and the same difficulty I experience to-day in seeing what possible good and useful object such a measure could be expected to serve. At that meeting the Attorney-General did not bring forward any reasons for the passing of this particular clause of the Liquors Ordinance, but left it to the hon. Colonial Secretary, Sir Claude Severn, to expound the reasons.

Sir Claude's Bag of Chits.

On that occasion that hon. member produced a bag of chits for a sum of about three thousand dollars for drinks which had been served at a wayside hotel—the North Point Hotel, which has since been re-christened the Ming Yuen Gardens. The Colonial Secretary, as part of his argument, suggested that, in view of this huge bag of chits, it would be an excellent thing to have this measure, which would bring comfort and happiness to every manager and hotel proprietor. It was, however, opposed at that time by the Hongkong Hotel and the King Edward Hotel, showing that they did not take the same view of the matter as was taken by the Colonial Secretary. Another point which, I think, was made, was that some young men had got into difficulties in paying his drink chits and had to have his passport paid home. Well, Sir, with regard to that point, it seems to me almost ludicrous that, because one or two young men have given way to drink and got into difficulties, a considerable inconvenience should be indicated upon all persons frequenting large establishments like the two hotels I have mentioned. It is like using a sledge hammer to break a walnut. In fact, Sir, His Excellency the late Governor expressly disclaimed that there was any idea of passing such a section to stop drinking. I will quote his words: "The object of the Bill is not to stop drinking. The Colonial Secretary never said a word about that." Now, Sir, if the object of this section was in no shape or form to stop drinking, one really fails to see what object it had. It certainly has not succeeded in pleasing the hotels. On the contrary, Sir, they consider it is a grave inconvenience to their business.

No Cash, No Cocktail.

It is very difficult to see exactly how closely we are to interpret the phrase used in sub-section 25, section 3, of the 1917 Ordinance that liquor is to be consumed in conjunction with a *bona-fide* meal. Literally, it might mean that a man would have to swallow his drink with his mouth full. One does not know to what extent such a phrase may be carried. At all events, supposing a man who is a non-resident in the hotel is taking his friends to the theatre and giving a dinner in the hotel before the theatre, and that he wants to give them a cocktail before dinner. The dinner is, of course, to follow the cocktail, but apparently, to take a strict interpretation of this particular subsection, the host would have to produce cash to pay for these drinks. I believe that is what is done as far as possible, but I believe it is not possible to fully carry it out in the hotel. Take another instance. The meal being finished the parties perhaps get a little tired of the dining-room and decide to go into the lounge and have their coffee, and if brandy is ordered to go with the coffee then, again, this question of cash payment comes in. Or, shifting the scene to the Repulse Bay Hotel,

what is to happen there? People go out there to dance. Very often they dine there before they dance, or—as I have done myself—you dance with your dinner, or, in the words of the Ordinance, "in conjunction with" your dinner. If you want to give your guests a drink you have to start again with this cash business. This clause is particularly inconvenient when hotel proprietors have to deal with a native staff, and is, perhaps, also inconvenient when they have to deal with rather peppery customers who do not see why they should be compelled to produce cash as a certificate of good faith.

One has heard, Sir, a suggestion made that juniors in firms are allowed large credit, or too large credit, in the hotels. That point will be dealt with by my hon. friend Mr. Ho-yook, who will second this motion, and I think he will say that there is a considerable restriction placed upon clerks in firms not only for drinks but in respect to expenditure generally in the hotel. As I suggested at the time this Ordinance was introduced, Sir, it seems to me, that this legislation is practically useless. I do not honestly see that it could have any real effect. It seems to me an attempt, and a somewhat petty attempt, to interfere with the internal management of the hotels in this Colony. I said just now it is absolutely ludicrous to suppose that, if a young man unfortunately takes to drink, this clause in the Ordinance will save him, for, apart from the hotel, you have places like clubs, and other places to which I need not more particularly refer, where men can get drinks by means of chits or without chits. It would be absurd to suggest that this clause in the Ordinance had any appreciable effect on obtaining drink.

Police Wasting Time.

Now, to look at the matter from another angle, I do submit, Sir, having regard to what I have said, that it is an absurdity to bring in this measure to prevent hotels from serving for drinks, for that is covered already by the Act of George II. known under the euphonious name of the "Tippler's Act." But here, Sir, we have legislation passed to make this failing to ensure cash down for drinks served to non-residents in the hotel a criminal offence punishable with a fine of \$250—a criminal offence both for the hotelkeeper and the person who signs the chit. Surely, our Police in this Colony have plenty to do going about the Colony preventing or detecting serious crime instead of having to spend their time hounding about hotels trying to find gentlemen who sign chits for drinks though they are not resident in the hotel, with a view to instituting prosecutions. There is a wave of serious crime in the Colony, and it is clear, also, that our Police, with the various duties they have to attend to, have quite enough to do. It is also clear, I submit, Sir, that no sufficient reason has been given for interfering in this way with the internal management of the hotels as to whether they shall or shall not accept chits from some man whom the manager may consider a perfectly solvent and reliable member of the community. I think, Sir, I have said quite enough to show that this section should be repealed, and my hon. friend the member for the Chamber of Commerce will be able, no doubt, to bring forward further reasons which I have not given. I beg to move the resolution standing in my name.

MR. HOLYOAK'S VIEW.

Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak: Your Excellency, it is fitting that I should first declare, in discussing the repeal of this section of the Ordinance, that I am interested to the extent that I am at present a Director of the Hongkong Hotel; but I trust that my reputation upon this honourable Council and in the public service in this Colony will acquit me of any arguments in favour of the Hotel. And, indeed, I have a particularly clear conscience in connection with this matter, because I have, from the very first, been consistently opposed to this Ordinance. In the year 1917 the late Governor, His Excellency Sir Henry Maitland, approached me, as the then Chairman of the Hongkong Club, to support not only the passing of such an Ordinance as was then proposed, but also

an enactment that would close the Club bar during certain hours of the day. Well, Sir, with due deference, at that time, I submitted that there was no necessity for it; that there was no case made out whatever. Indeed, as Chairman of the Club at that time I knew that the money which was being spent at the bar was an extremely small sum, and there was no justification for the arguments then presented. However, in deference to His Excellency's wishes, the matter was put before the Hongkong Club Committee and unanimously turned down at that time. Later this proposed Ordinance was laid before the Council.

"Unjustifiable and Unnecessary."

I regret that at that time I happened to be absent through ill-health in Japan, and was unable to oppose it as vigorously as I would have done had I been present, mainly and principally upon the grounds that it was an unnecessary interference—at that time unjustifiable and unnecessary—with the liberty of the subject in this Colony, but I was ably represented by the honourable member who was then acting for me, the Hon. Mr. Stanley Dowdell, who made a strong speech against the proposed enactment. We were distinctly told by His Excellency the Governor at that time that the object of the Bill was not to stop drinking, and, failing that, there was no justification whatever for passing the law. It was essentially, if there was any justification for it, a war measure. It was part of the D.O.R.A. Act at Home. It was born of a desire, perhaps a sentimental desire, to share in the sacrifices we all shared in at Home, and, through the sacrifices, perhaps contribute more largely to war charities which existed in this Colony, and to national needs. But honourable members of the Council and your Excellency, through having perused the records of this Colony since that time, will agree, I think, that in no part of the Empire were war charities more substantially and fully supported than in this Colony, and that no part of the world, so far as the British Empire goes, and certainly not here, could have an accusation of excessive drinking be made. There was no justification at all for passing the Ordinance. If it was a war measure there is the more reason for repealing it at the present moment, because the justification for it, if there was any, no longer obtains. It was distinctly unfair in its results, because it discriminated between the man in the street and the man in the Club. The very people against whom, I understand, the Ordinance was mainly levelled were able immediately to transfer their support, if they needed to do so and wished to do so, to any one of the many clubs, and obtain whatever credit they wished. Therefore, I submit that to the man in the street it was grossly unfair and a piece of discriminatory legislation, and I submit further that it was impracticable in its operation and is to-day. It is an absurdity that in a Colony like this to-day you should be able to dine in comfort in one room and that, either because the room is hot or that you do not particularly like the man sitting next to you, you desire to have a cup of coffee in the lounge in the immediate precincts you pass from the possibility of being an honest law-abiding citizen, with criminal responsibilities both to the hotel and yourself. I submit that that ought not to be.

Hotel's System Defended.

The charge has more than once been levelled at the Hotel—I am speaking as a Director and am answering the charge—that the Hotel system has unwisely encouraged expenditure on the part of the junior. Now, Sir, I wish to categorically state that not only has the Hotel not suffered as a matter of actual revenue from the enactment of this Ordinance, and therefore from that point of view it is unnecessary to repeal, but, further than that, it positively and absolutely refuses to give credit of more than \$25 to any junior of any accredited firm in this place. Therefore, I do not think it can be justly accused in these circumstances of encouraging undue credit and therefore encouraging undue expenditure of money. I submit that the law as it at present stands it is impossible to carry out the law without placing the guest of any hotel in this Colony in jeopardy of unconsciously breaking this Ordinance, and the Hotel also for accepting a chit. It is a reasonable thing that any hotel in the place should be authorised to accept a chit which is really a carry over from a dinner chit, and there should be no breaking of the law in consequence of that. For this reason I second the motion of my honourable friend, the Senior Unofficial Member, and I feel that your Excellency in regard to this legislation will not go so far as to use the Official majority. I suggest that if your Excellency is unable to accept the whole of this resolution, you will, at any rate, consider the possibility of amending the Ordinance so that it covers the points I have raised and refers only to the public bars of hotels, which will make the practice more workable. It is, as I think your Excellency will admit, the sincere desire

of the hotel I happen to be a Director of, to fulfil the law; and I think they have proved it, but I know that, under the present law, it is almost impossible to do so.

Colonial Secretary's Youthful Chit.

The Colonial Secretary: As late as an hour ago, Sir, I had not the intention of speaking on this motion. I do so with some diffidence and with no overbearing conviction. But I have had considerable experience of the working of the chit system and perhaps I am in a position to sound a word of warning as to the possible results. I have been looking up the report of the Council, at which I was present, when Mr. Shewan said: "I cannot compare myself with the Hon. Mr. Dowdell and the Hon. Mr. Pollock in most things but of one thing I know as much as they do, and that is the question of drinking in bars." I do not claim that it was an unnecessary member who has moved this motion, but I do claim to have had a wide experience with this chit system. My first introduction to it was in my undergraduate days in Oxford when I preferred 2s. 3d. for a tin of Craven tobacco and was met with the request that I should put my money back in my pocket and have it put down in the book. That was when I was eighteen years old. I thought it was

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T. T. LAURENSEN, G.O.M.
W. J. STOKES, M.E.M.
Branch Secretaries.
Hongkong, 7th September, 1928.

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The Council thus refers the matter to the Conference of Ambassadors, but reserves the question of competence of the League for subsequent discussion.

The conflict, therefore, appears to be on a fair way towards a settlement.

The draft reply further suggests an apology by Greece, a salute by the Greek Fleet, rendering military honours at the funeral service at Athens, the appointment of a commission of Enquiry by Greece, to which representatives of the three interested Powers be adjointed, and the appointment of representatives of the League to supervise the judicial enquiry and trial of the accused.

Signor Salandra objected to some of the suggestions, and the Council, therefore, after a prolonged discussion, adopted Lord Robert Cecil's suggestion to send the minutes to the Ambassadors' Conference.

This means that the Council will treat the affair conjointly with the Conference, thus safeguarding its position and dignity.

GREEK FLEET AVOIDING ITALIANS.

ATHENS, September 6.

The Greek fleet has been ordered to retire to the Gulf of Volo to avoid contact with the Italian fleet.

ROME, September 6.

It is semi-officially announced that the Greek Government has informed the Italian, French and British representatives that the Greek fleet has been sent from Salamis to Volo in order to avoid contact with Italian warships that might approach the neighbourhood of Athens and establish the fact that Athens is a defenceless city.

HOLLAND'S QUEEN.

GREAT JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS.

AMSTERDAM, September 6.

The Royal Family attended a commemorative service at the Nieuwe kerk. A choir of ten thousand singers rendered a song of homage and various corporations presented gifts.

The Queen expressed her warmest thanks and said she regarded it a great privilege to have been allowed to devote all her strength to the service of the country in good and bad times. Thanks to the help of her counsellors and above all God's help "when the hour of trial sounded we were standing side by side facing danger. Similarly we shall surmount the dark days now threatening our prosperity. Let us work on in friendship without fear, building foundations for a better future."

SOUTH AFRICAN FESTIVITIES.

CAPETOWN, September 6.

Afrikaners as well as Hollanders in South Africa were greatly interested in the Dutch jubilee, especially in Pretoria where there were considerable festivities. South African subscribers are presenting Queen Wilhelmina with a handsome stinkwood cabinet containing 120 South African photographs. A special service at the Grote kerk in Capetown was attended by the Mayor and the Netherlands Consul. Dutch papers are publishing special supplements.

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COMMITTEE URGES REDUCTIONS.

LONDON, September 6.

A more or less general reduction in the pay of officers and men of the fighting forces is favoured by the report of the committee appointed to enquire into the remuneration and conditions of employment of State servants, which considers the pay of the naval rating is too high and should be reduced parallel with reductions in the pay of the Army. It thinks officers up to the rank of Captain in the Army and Lieut-Commander in the Navy are at present paid more than necessary. The report commends the Army Council's pay revision schemes and suggests a substantial reduction in the pay of junior officers and men in the Air Force. It sees no reason for an increase of pay in the Civil Service while suggesting a longer working day in London.

ST. LEGER BETTING BAROMETER.

LONDON, September 6.

The St. Leger betting was:—2 to 1 against Papyrus, 9 to 2 against Parth, 9 to 1 against Tranquil, 100 to 9 against Eilan Gowan and Teresina, 100 to 8 against Eastern Monarch, 100 to 6 against Doric and Waygood, 20 to 1 against Twelve Pointer, 25 to 1 against Bold And Bad.

NEW CROWN PRINCE FOR SERBIA.

BELGRADE, September 6.

Queen Marie of Serbia has given birth to a son. The new Crown Prince has provisionally been named Stephen.

JUMPING JACK.

LONDON, September 6.

Marks, after touching 220,000,000 closed at 195 to 205 millions.

ITEMS MANY FROM QUANTERS.

DR. C. H. WANG.

RETURNING TO CANTON?

H.M.S. "Foxglove" left Shanghai for Kobe on Wednesday afternoon. A naval "oiler" left Wei-hai-wei for Yokohama on Wednesday also. The Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, arrived in Shanghai on board H.M.S. "Hawkins" yesterday en route for Yokohama.

The Manager of the local branch of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China received the following telegram from the Kobe branch to-day: "Yokohama Agency totally destroyed and doubtful whether any books or records can be recovered."

Mr. R. C. Graff, Director of Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie (Japan Ltd.) and P. & O. Agent at Yokohama is reported as missing in Tokyo. There is, however, no immediate cause for alarm. Mr. C. St. A. Angove of the Yokohama office is in Kobe safe. The Japanese and other members of the Yokohama staff are missing, but believed safe, according to a cable from Kobe received at the P. & O. office here this morning.

His many friends here will be glad to learn that Mr. A. D. McDougall, of the Chartered Bank, previously reported killed in the

According to the Canton Daily News, Dr. C. H. Wang, ex-Premier of China, has addressed a telegram to Dr. Sun Yat-sen to the effect that he is leaving Europe in a few days for Canton to help build up "a more popular government for China."

H. E. Roberts, when facing a charge of being without means of support at the Magistracy this morning, stated that he had been in the Colony for one month, having arrived as a passenger from Shanghai. Sergeant Hopkins said that he took defendant into custody on instructions of Mr. T. H. King, D.S.P., and that Roberts had been sent away in August last year. An order was made for defendant to be committed to the House of Detention.

earthquake, is safe and well. This good news is contained in a telegram sent by Mr. McDougall himself in answer to the Hongkong office's inquiries.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

REJECTED DEPARTURE.

CHINA COAST, ETC.

SWATOW.

Sept. 9.—I.O.S.N. Fooning
9.—C.N. Lianchow.
9.—D.L. Hafoong.
9.—C.N. Kanyun.
10.—I.O.S.N. Chakong.
11.—C.N. Kwangchow.
11.—D.L. Hichow.
11.—I.O.S.N. W. Shiao.
12.—I.O.S.N. Suoh Maru.
13.—C.N. Sz-chuen.
14.—D.L. Tihang.
14.—I.O.S.N. Taiwan.
14.—O.S.K. Rums Maru.
23.—O.S.K. Kaiji Maru.

AMOY.

Sept. 8.—B.I. Taka.
9.—D.L. Taka.
11.—C.N. Hainan.
11.—C.N. Yungchow.
12.—O.S.K. Rums Maru.
13.—D.L. Hichow.
13.—C.N. Suoh Maru.
23.—O.S.K. Kaiji Maru.

FOOCHOW.

Sept. 9.—D.L. Hainan.
11.—D.L. Hainan.
11.—D.L. Hainan.

SHANGHAI.

Sept. 8.—P. & O. Karmala.
9.—B.I. Taka.
9.—C.N. Sunning.
9.—N.Y.K. Nagan Maru.
9.—J.C.I. Tianshai.
9.—I.O.S.N. Fooning.
9.—C.N. Suoh Maru.
10.—C.N. Yungchow.
11.—N.Y.K. Taka Maru.
12.—N.Y.K. Kitano Maru.
13.—I.O.S.N. Wainan.
13.—C.N. Taka.
14.—N.Y.K. Rums Maru.
15.—Siberia Maru.
17.—P.M. Pres. Lincoln.
18.—A.O.L. Pres. Madison.
22.—P. & O. Nuloro.
22.—C.P.S. Empress of Canada.
23.—T.K.K. Taiyo Maru.
23.—T.K.K. Pres. McKinley.
Oct. 1.—A.O.L. Empress of Russia.
10.—B.F. Taiocia.
13.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.
14.—B.B. Losapi.
15.—N.Y.K. Kagi Maru.
21.—E.L. City of Karahi.
25.—T.K.K. Taiyo Maru.
26.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Koran Maru.
1.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.
4.—N.Y.K. Iyo Maru.
16.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.
17.—C.P.S. Empress of Canada.
20.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.
Dec. 1.—B.B. C. Lopez Y. Lopez.

KEELUNG.

Sept. 16.—O.S.K. Kishi Maru.
16.—O.S.K. Soma Maru.
23.—O.S.K. Kaiji Maru.
Nov. 1.—T.K.K. Koya Maru.
16.—T.K.K. Shinyo Maru.

TAKAO.

Sept. 13.—O.S.K. Soma Maru.
16.—O.S.K. Kishi Maru.

TSINGTAO.

Sept. 8.—C.N. Sunning.
12.—I.O.S.N. Wainan.

CHEFOO.

Sept. 15.—I.O.S.N. Chipping.

HOIHOW.
Sept. 8.—I.O.S.N. Chusang.
5.—C.N. Yunnan.
21.—I.O.S.N. Loosang.

PAKHOL.
Sept. 9.—C.N. Yunnan.

HAIPHONG.
Sept. 9.—C.N. Yunnan.
21.—I.O.S.N. Loosang.

SAIGON.
Oct. 2.—O.S.K. Kishi Maru.

BANGKOK.
Sept. 9.—I.O.S.N. Chusang.
10.—I.O.S.N. Chusang.
11.—C.N. Yunnan.
20.—T.A. Bi-tang.
Oct. 2.—O.S.K. Kishi Maru.

SINGAPORE.
Sept. 9.—C.N. Kingyuan.
11.—N.Y.K. Osaka Maru.
11.—I.O.S.N. West Carmona.
12.—N.Y.K. Fushimi Maru.
12.—N.Y.K. Janu.
12.—R.B. Ila de Panay.
12.—N.Y.K. Honolulu Maru.
12.—N.Y.K. Yacht Maru.
12.—R.F.M. Van Ostraten.
12.—I.O.S.N. London Maru.
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12.—R.F. Lycion.
12.—P. & O. Sicilia.
12.—N.D.L. Ludwigshafen.
12.—B.F. Janu.
12.—P. & O. City of Norwich.
12.—P. & O. Dongola.
12.—R.F. Mentor.
12.—B.I. Tenda.
12.—N.Y.K. Mithima Maru.
12.—O.L. Bombrookshire.
12.—N.Y.K. Tamba Maru.
12.—N.Y.K. Tanka.
12.—U.S.S.B. West Cactus.
12.—N.Y.K. Kishi Maru.
12.—B.F. Promtheus.
12.—P. & O. Mela.
12.—R.F. Ixion.
12.—R.F. Agapenor.
12.—B.F. Rheuxor.
12.—N.D.L. Waver.
12.—R.F. Rhemius.
12.—P. & O. Soudan.
12.—P. & O. Karmala.
12.—B.F. Mommon.
12.—R.F. Rhonor.
12.—P. & O. Dogaole.
12.—B.F. Janu.
12.—P. & O. Atrax.
12.—B.B. Jotzpi.
12.—B.F. Kurypius.
12.—P. & O. Kalyan.
12.—P. & O. Calcedonia.
12.—R.F. Atrax.
12.—P. & O. Nellora.
12.—R.F. Teiresias.
12.—B.F. Adrastus.
12.—P. & O. Sicilia.
12.—E.A. Chilo.
12.—P. & O. Mela.
12.—R.F. Machmon.
12.—B.F. Canfa.
12.—P. & O. Nyanza.
12.—P. & O. Kalyan.
12.—B.F. Soudan.
12.—P. & O. Malaya.
12.—P. & O. Soudan.
12.—P. & O. Devanah.
12.—B.B. O. Lopez Y. Lopez.
12.—P. & O. Kaiser I. Hind.
12.—P. & O. Patroclus.
12.—P. & O. Kishi.
12.—E.A. Ania.
12.—P. & O. Macdonia.
12.—P. & O. Kashgar.
12.—P. & O. Moroi.
12.—P. & O. Karmala.
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YOKOHAMA'S DEAD.

BRITISH DEATH-ROLL IN JAPAN DISASTER.

SHANGHAI, September 7.
A wireless message from H.M.S. "Deepatch" gives the following list of the British residents in Yokohama neighbourhood, who are believed to have been killed.

Absolute certainty is impossible as identification of the corpses is in many cases impossible. The list follows:—

J. H. Watson, E. H. Peacock and wife; Leonard Eyten, P. J. Elliott, Tom Abbey, C. O. M. Mason, Charles Piquet, R. Jackland, R. C. Grass and wife; C. Stangrove, Weyll, P. C. Morrison, G. Niven, S. J. H. Tebbut and wife; F. J. Cullinan, Maurice Russell, Bob Jones, R. D. McKinnell, Edwin Wheeler, Tom Thomas, W. B. Mason, A. J. S. Lefroy, J. Watson, A. Robertson, J. T. Morrison and wife; A. H. Tait, J. P. Hibbs, Mr. Simpson and wife and child; Also Mistresses W. T. Kingston, H. W. Rowbottom, Kirkland, Wilson, Meiland and child, Nicoll and child, S. J. Somerton, Vox, H. Crane, H. L. Fardel (Swiss) is also dead.

TYPHON WARNING.

The following telegram was received by the local American Consulate-General from the Manila Observatory at 2 p.m. to-day:—

1.—Typhoon in about 129deg. Long, E. 22deg. Lat. N. moving West.
2.—Typhoon in about 145deg. Long, E. 20deg. Lat. N. direction unknown.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 25th August, 1923, amounted to 84,468 tons and the sales during the period to 75,225 tons.

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12.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.
12.—C.N. Janu.
12.—R.B. Ila de Panay.
12.—R.F. Albert Vogler.
12.—N.Y.K. Tamba Maru.
12.—A.O.L. Pres. McKinley.
12.—T.K.K. Taiyo Maru.
12.—U.S.S.B. West Cactus.
12.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.
12.—H.A.L. Oldenburg.
12.—R.F. Atrax.
12.—N.Y.K. Yoshino Maru.
12.—R.B. Carl Legien.
12.—T.K.K. Koran Maru.
12.—B.B. Losapi.
12.—H.A.L. Preusson.

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The contest will last each week from Monday to Saturday. Results will be announced in the China Mail every Wednesday, when the winner's name will be published along with the correct list.

Every copy of the China Mail will contain one form giving the reader one try for the prize. Regular readers will thus have not less than six tries in one week.

Forms should be sent in as early as possible to help the judging. Any forms received by the China Mail later than Monday will be discounted. Any forms mutilated, indistinctly written or improperly marked will also be ruled out.

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15. Rugby
16. Rowing
17. Shooting
18. Swimming
19. Tennis
20. Yachting

CUT THIS OUT

To the Editor
China Mail, Hongkong, Sept. 7, 1923.
Hongkong.

Sir,
I consider the following the ten most popular forms of outdoor recreation placed in the order in which I think they are liked best:—

Please write clearly in block letters.

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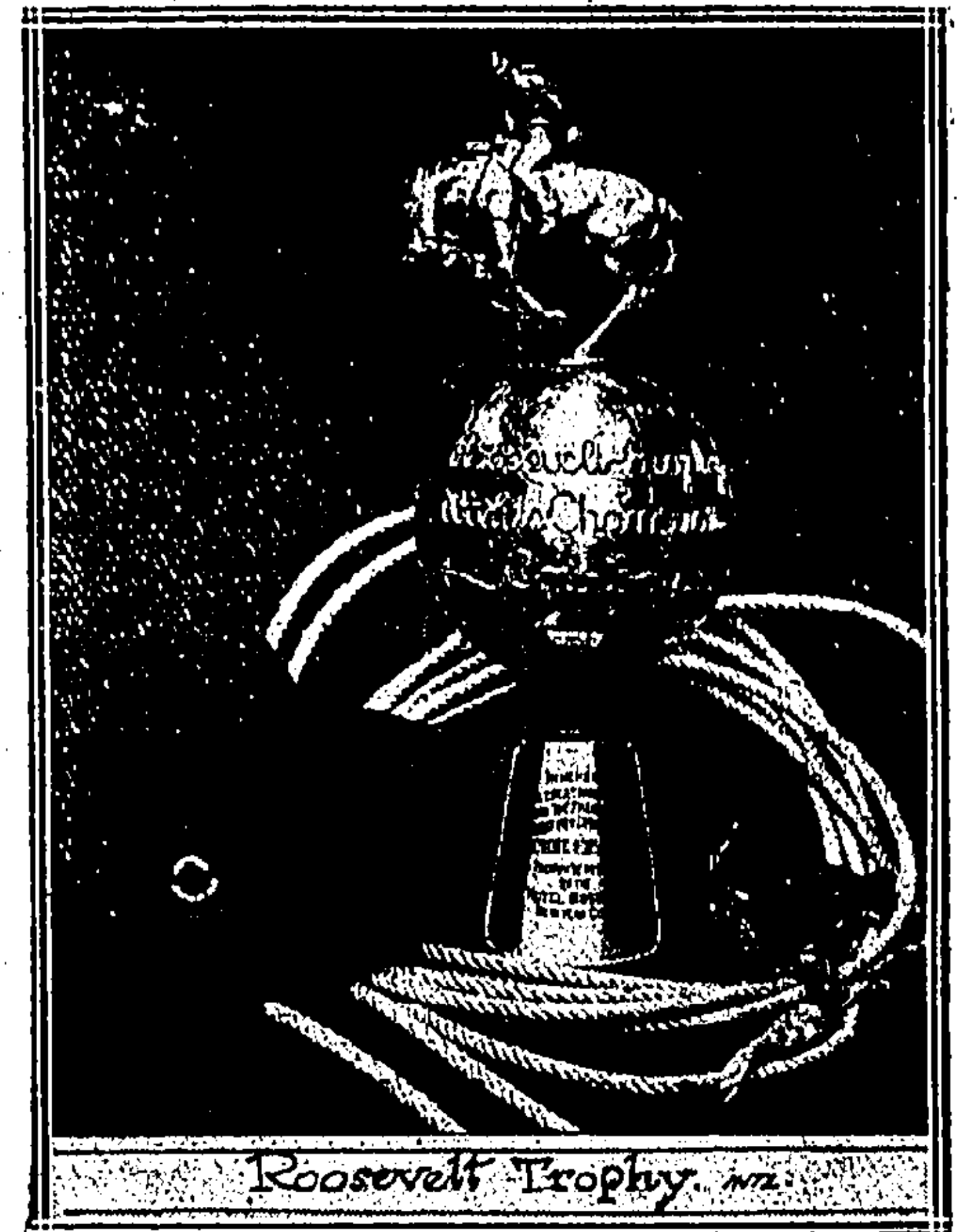
Next Voting Contest:—Professions.



Miss Petrona La Rosa, may be the goal toward which Luis Angel Firpo, "Wild Bull of the Pampas," is aiming in his fighting career. She went to school with the great South American fighter and was his childhood sweetheart. It is admitted that a quarrel with the fighter led to her coming to America, and it is rumored it was only then he decided to follow.



On July 24, Benny Leonard, the light-weight champion of the world, retained his title at the Yankee Stadium, New York by beating Lew Tendler. Leonard had the best of the fight throughout and won on points.



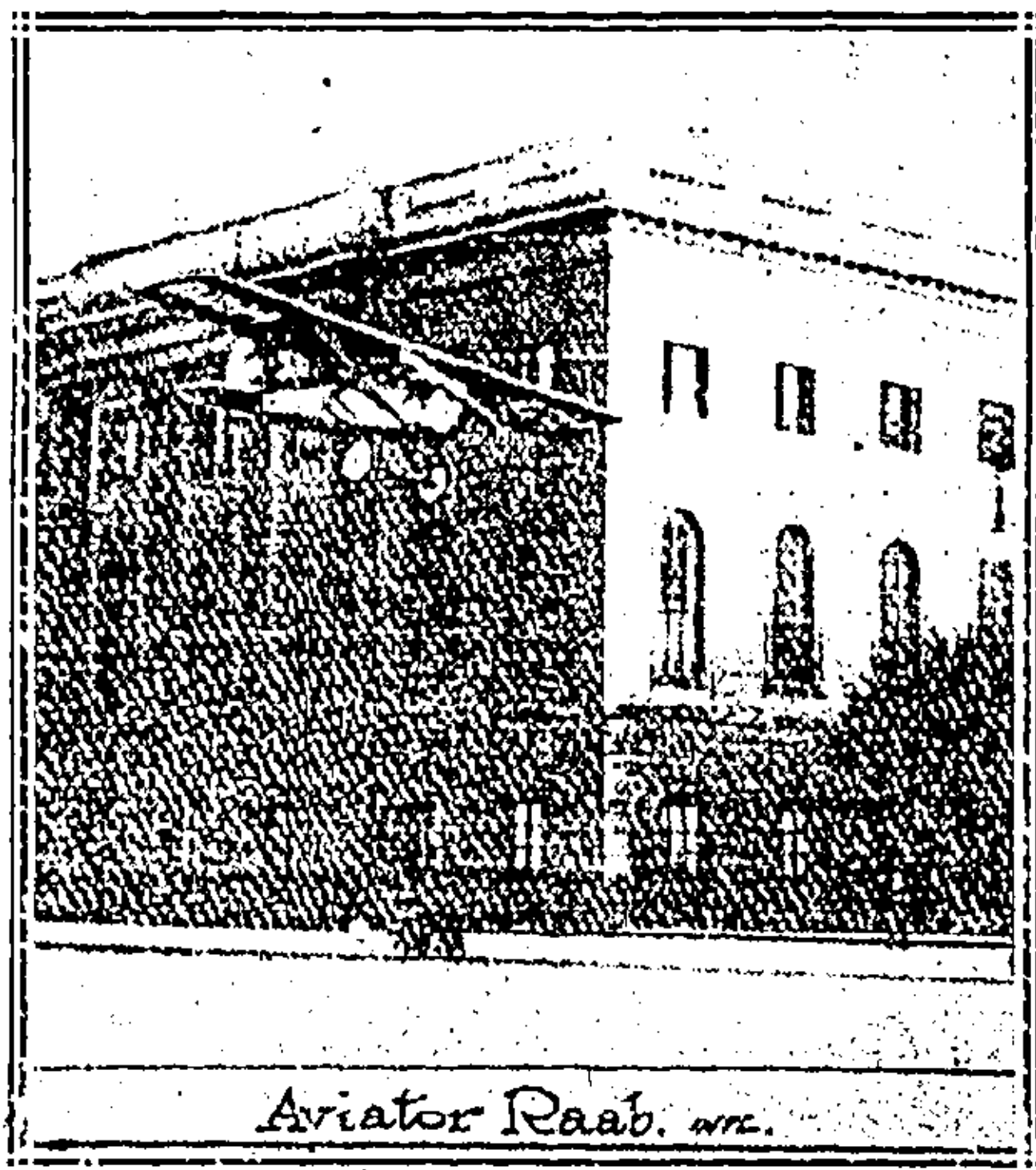
Above is shown the Roosevelt Trophy, designed by Eyre Powell, the sculptured equestrian figure being done by George T. Brewster. The trophy, which was made in Salt Lake City, will be competed for at the annual Cheyenne (Wyo.) Frontier Day and the famous Pendleton Roundup later in the Summer. The champion All-Around Cowboy will receive the prize.



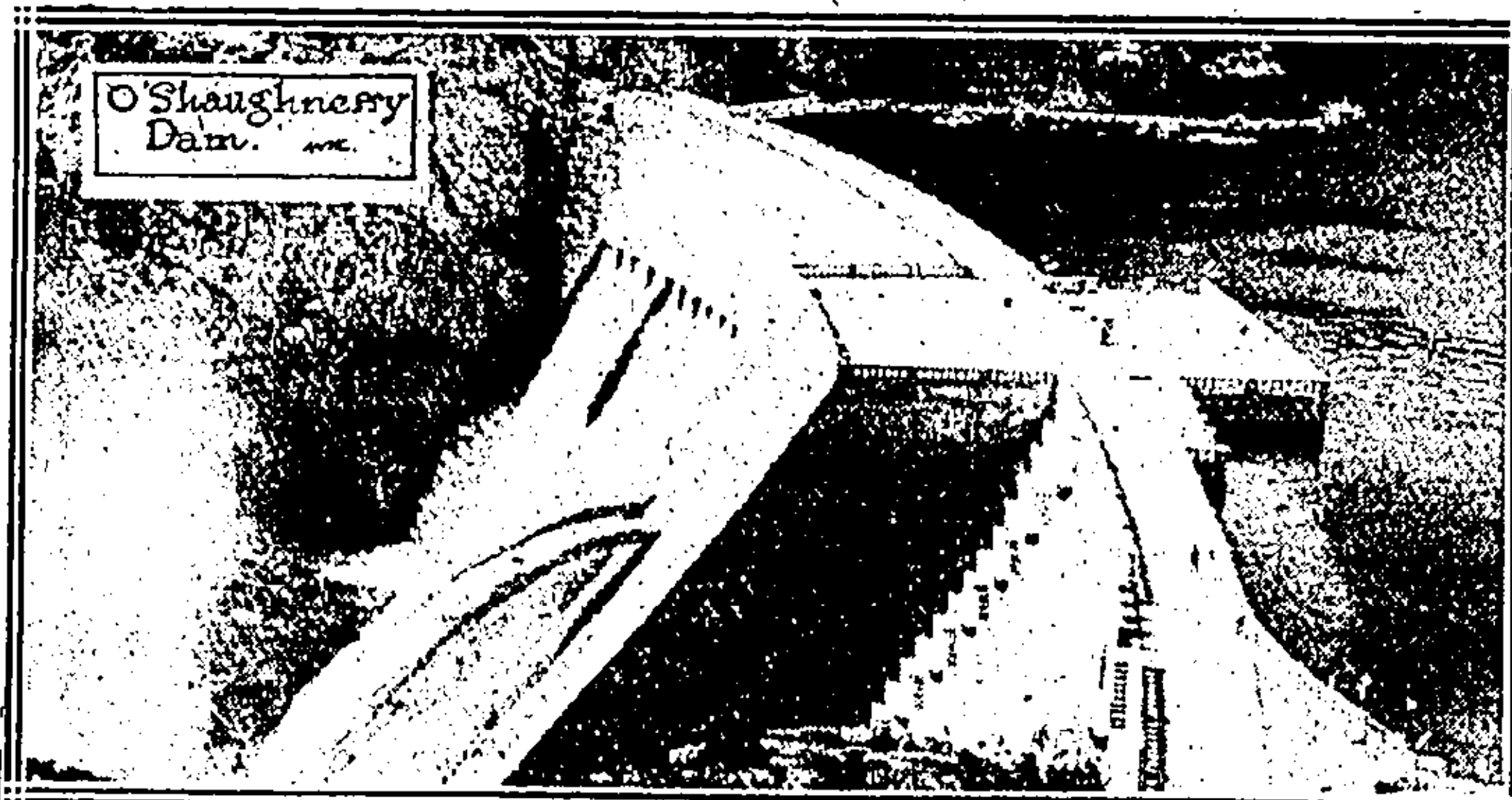
The annual convention and election of officers of the Brotherhood of the Protective Order of Elks, was held in Atlanta, Ga. A great pageant and parade preceded the regular order of business. James G. McFarland, of South Dakota, nominated by Governor W. H. McFarland, of that State, was elected Grand Exalted Ruler. Colonel W. P. Andrews, of Atlanta, Ga., was in charge of the Elks' great parade.



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The O'Shaughnessy Dam has been completed, making an immense lake out of the Hetch-Hetchy Valley to supply water to San Francisco. The dam cost \$6,000,000, and more than \$30,000,000 will be spent to pipe the water to the Golden Gate. The dam is 600 feet long and 140 feet wide at its base. The lake formed by the dam will hold back 66,000,000,000 gallons of water. Owing to its almost inaccessible location in the Sierras it has taken six years to build the dam.



Thousands of Near East refugees who have reached Athens, Greece, have no homes, and many of them have taken up their abode in the once fashionable Municipal Theatre. Every box houses one or more families of the refugees. The people eat, sleep, cook and even do their family washing in the boxes. Each "apartment" is separated by a blanket, or some non-transparent cloth.

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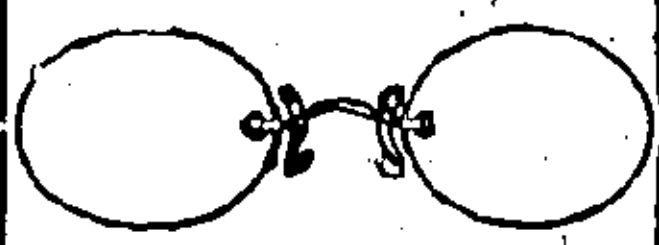
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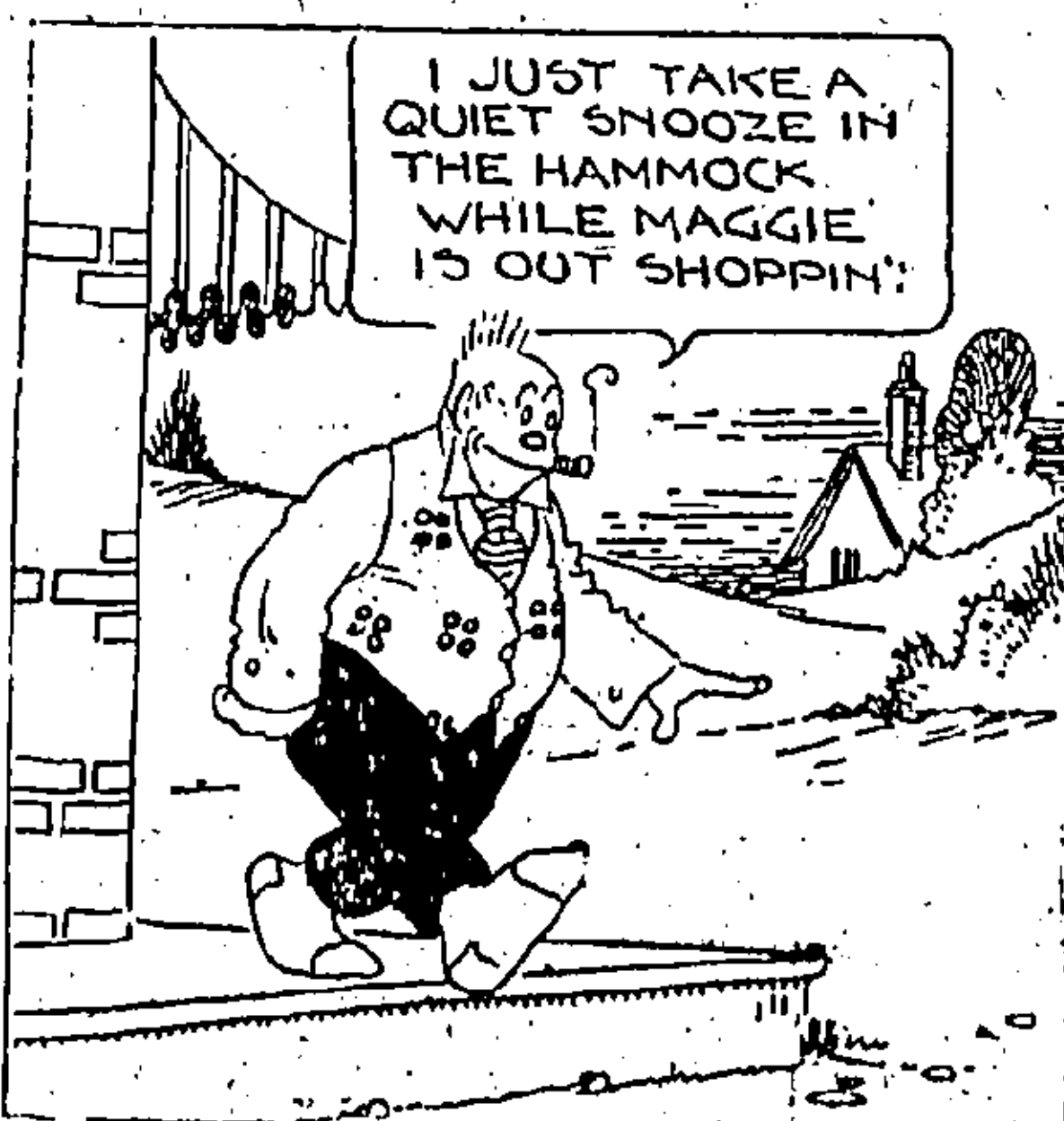
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Liangchow, (B. & S.) from
Swatow.—B12.

Wongshuk Kung, (Kung Chung)
from Saigon.—C21.

Van Overstraten, (J.C.J.L.) from
Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.

Bellerophon, (B. & S.) from
Singapore.—Holt's Wharf.

Macedonia, (P. & O.) from
Shanghai.—A1.

Tjibodas, (J.C.J.L.) from Mille.—
A8.

Hwah Kuei, (Yuen Seng Fat)
from Saigon.—C16.

Poolee, (Hung Shun) from Fort
Bayard.—Co's Wharf.

DEPARTURES.

Hupoh, (B. & S.) for Hongay.—
September 7.

Leesang, (J. M. & Co.) for Hoi-
how.—September 7.

Hok Canton, (Hong On) for
Fort Bayard.—September 7.

President Grant, (Ad. Line) for
Shanghai.—September 7.

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Swatow.—September 7.

Among the passengers who left
on the "President Grant" to-day
were Dr. and Mrs. E. Eldon, R.
James, going to Boston Mass., Dr.
Eldon, a local adviser to the King of
Siam, Mr. Frank R. Seid, American
Vice-Consul at Hongkong, who
is returning to Seattle to accept
a position with the Immigration
Department, was also a passenger.
Mr. Fred Rüping, President of the
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

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Shanghai Suigang

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

Bombay Sado Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

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Amoy 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan 5 p.m.

Formosa 5 p.m.
Kongmoon 5 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via
Duanushkodi, Egypt and
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night, 7th Sept. Parcel noon Regis-
tration, 5 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

Shanghai Kwantung 10.30 a.m.
Java and Sourabaya 10.30 a.m.

Manila Pres. Lincoln 5 p.m.
Hoihow, Fakhai and Haiphong 5 p.m.

Saidon Yunnan 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Huichow 9 a.m.

MANILA Pres. Madison 3.30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Duanushkodi
and Bombay Osaka Maru 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Foochow Hoihow Noon.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12.

Japan, Canada, United States, Central
and South America, EUROPE via VIC-
TORIA, B.O.—due Victoria 3rd Oct.
11th Parcel 5 p.m. Registration 9.45
a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via
Duanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via
Marseilles—due Marseilles 13th Oct.
Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.20 a.m.

Shanghai Fushimi Maru 10 a.m.

Shanghai Kitan Maru Noon.

Saidon Janus 12.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

Japan Yoshino Maru 10 a.m.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.